

The natives are said to use parts of this fruit as a condiment. (Adapted from Annals and Magazine of Natural History, vol. 10, 3d ser., p. 198.)

*Lilium brownii* (Liliaceae), 48716. Lily. From Kuliang Hills, near Foochow, Fukien, China. Seeds collected by Mr. J. B. Norton, agricultural explorer. "The lily that makes Kuliang beautiful in June and July. The solitary trumpets of this large lily stand out in bold relief against the barren hillsides. The buds and young flowers are light yellow, but the full open flower gradually turns to a clear white with purple or brownish stripes on the outer petals. The bulbs are said to be eaten by the Chinese." (Norton.)

*Nomocharis pardanthina* (Liliaceae), 49281. From Elstree, Hertford, England. Seeds presented by Mr. Vicary Gibbs, Aldenham House Gardens. A rare liliaceous plant from western China, concerning which Mr. Reginald Farrar writes as follows:

"It is most like some hybrid of a minor lily with *Odontoglossum rossii*, combining the perverse and sinister spottings of the one with the frank and graceful loveliness of the other, with a delicacy of shell-pink coloring. You see it on the high alpine grassy slopes of Hpimaw Pass, nodding down at you with myriads of wide-open dark-eyed faces, in every shade of pale rose. For four thousand years the Chinese have devoured its bulbs like onions." (Gardners' Chronicle, 3d ser., vol. 66, p. 221.)

*Persea schiedeana* (Lauraceae), 49329. Verapaz Coyo. From Coban, Alta Verapaz, Guatemala. Cuttings collected by Mr. Wilson Popenoe, agricultural explorer. "No. 240. This is a superior variety of the coyo from the property of Padre Rivera in Tactic. An illustration of the fruit can be seen in Plant Industry Bulletin No. 743, The Avocado in Guatemala, pl. 13; in this plate an ordinary coyo is shown on the right, and the Verapaz variety (as I suggest it be called) appears on the left. It is the finest coyo I have seen, and I strongly recommend it for trial in southern Florida and Southern California, since I have come more and more to feel that the coyo, in its finer varieties, is a fruit of even better flavor than the avocado. Unfortunately, this species has never been given horticultural attention, and doubtless much remains to be done before it can take a place in our orchards